Mansfield Community Playground Project Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/14/2013

Present: Sara Anderson, Megan Huff, Kelly Zimmerman, Jean Johnson, Ellen Tulman, Chad Rittenhouse, Julia DeLapp, Kathleen Krider

Next Meeting: Thursday April 11, 2013, 7:00 pm Conference Rm B

I. February minutes approved

- II. Review of Town Council meeting that was conducted Monday 3/11/13
 - a. Application being submitted for a Small Cities grant
 - b. We will be looking for letters of support from key community organizations

III. Fundraising Update

- a. Ossen Family Foundation
 - i. Kathleen & Julia have been working on submitting grant to this foundation. It is a local philanthropic family foundation.
 - ii. A stipulation of this grant would be right to name playground the "Jeffery P Ossen Family Foundation Playground." All in attendance approved the use of this name.
- b. 3 other possible grants are "in the works." An Eastern student will be working with Julia & Kathleen to write/submit these grants.
- c. Linda & Maria (town planning office) are working to "make us fit" for the requirements for the HUD Small Cities grant
- d. An EOSmith student (Genevieve) has requested the opportunity to sell her handmade bags at our functions. She would donate 20% of proceeds to playground. All in attendance approved this.
- e. Sara will order reusable canvas bags with the playground logo on Fri 3/15/13.
- f. Kelly has been in contact with organizers of Farmer's Market. We are hoping to have a presence at the outdoor market when it returns.
- g. Fundly website is up and running. This website will help track contributions & allow individuals to sign up as fundraisers.

IV. Upcoming Events

- a. Eggstravaganza Saturday March 30 1:00-3:30 pm
 - i. Jean & Ellen gave an update. (committee members will receive additional email re: needs & volunteering "opportunities")
- b. One Book/One Read Saturday April 20
 - i. Discussion was conducted about possibility of our having a presence there.
- c. Mother's Day Give Away will be a Facebook activity & may include a cake & gift basket.
- d. Fun Run possible new date** June 8, 2013**

- e. Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser June 1, 2013
 - i. Detailed information that Sara & Kelly will review
- f. Wine Tasting date TBD, possibly in July. Heather has contacted a friend (Shauna) who has an art studio that will be used a venue.
- g. Outdoor movie will not go forward, due to complications. Suggestion was made to inquire about a night at the Mansfield Drive In.
- V. Middle School Student Council update (Kelly has met with MMS students)
 - a. MMS students will make a slide to show fundraising progress
 - b. MMS students want to find ways to include all students & represent all 4 schools in playground

Minutes prepared & respectfully submitted by Ellen Tulman on 3/16/13